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HAZELTON NEWS.

Chas. Henson shipped hogs, cattle and sheep to the people east last week. So far as we know he got fair prices for all kinds of stock shipped.

There is as much if not more political talk in this locality now than at any time during the campaign. But now it is all one way, whereas prior to the election people were divided.

The entertainment given by the Pleasant Valley school Friday night was a complete success in every particular. Even those engaged in getting up the affair were agreeably surprised.

W. T. Henson and J. R. Garner shipped 135 nice young cattle in from Kansas City last week and will winter them here. They are a very nice lot of coming 2 year-old steers and ought to make those men money as cheap as rough feed is.

J. N. Stephens and D. S. Stephens have both filed on claims in Beaver county, Ok., and expect to make it their future home. They are the kind of people that we would rather not lose but our loss will be a gain to Oklahoma.

For the past week a party has been canvassing this locality with the object of getting people to invest in hand cream separators, to ship their cream to Wellington. We have not learned what he has accomplished.

Some of the best work that has ever been done on our streets was done last week by Overseer Marion Fox, but all is not yet done that ought to be, and we hope the good work will continue until our streets and roads are in first-class condition. Nothing helps a country more than good roads.

The patrons of Pleasant Valley, or School District No. 53, took the preliminary steps toward organizing a literary society at the school house. Their first meeting will be Dec. 5th, and if they succeed as well with the literary society as they did with their entertainment no one will ever have cause to complain unless it might be some one who failed to take part in the exercises.

We have talked with a great many republicans since Mr. Nixon has been trying to get those eight votes counted for him and have been unable to find one yet to claim it is right. I don't suppose there is one in the county or the state who would agree for one moment to have eight more votes counted for Mr. Walker than he received, especially if it were as plain a case of steal as in Nick's case.

Mr. H. N. Ayers died last Friday morning at his residence four miles northwest of Hazelton. As has been before stated in our items, Mr. Ayers had not been expected to recover from a bad spell of fever contracted some five or six weeks ago. The deceased would have been 79 years old Dec. 23rd. We have been personally acquainted with him for 19 years and can speak from personal knowledge of his admirable qualities. He was a man that abhorred anything like deceit or dishonesty, and he never knowingly did anybody a wrong. I have known of his even making a great sacrifice rather than contend with one who was inclined to get from him more than was right. He was well informed on most of the questions affecting the people, and we have spent many hours talking with him on political and other questions, and while never fully agreed on either our political or religious beliefs, I do not think in all our arguments he ever said one word that was intended to in the least wound the feeling of anyone. He was one of those men who could differ from you and at the same time make you feel that he fully respected your opinions and rights. His life was such that his friends were numbered by the whole number of his acquaintances. If he had an enemy I never heard of it. He was an excellent neighbor—would do anything in reason to accommodate his neighbors. He never spent any of his time in finding fault with those who did not agree with him, and his life was spent in trying to make this a better world to live in. He could not be changed by every wind that blew. He was firm in his convictions but always ready to listen to reason and open to conviction. For a great many years he held to the Baptist belief but of late years has been rather inclined to the faith taught by the Restitutionists. The funeral was conducted at his late home where a large number of his friends assembled and listened to a funeral sermon delivered by Rev. Oliver, from near Crisfield, after which the remains were interred in the Hazelton Cemetery, there to await the final resurrection. He left a wife, three daughters and two sons to mourn his departure. Only one son and one daughter were present at his death. His son, Will, residing in the western part of the state, and two married daughters residing in Iowa, were unable to be here. They were here only a short time ago on a visit. While we regret to have to part with those we know as we did the deceased, yet it is a pleasure to be able to say that while he was with us he did what he could to make this a better world, and that his example will be for good for future generations. The bereaved family have the sympathy of a very large circle of friends and acquaintances.

A Home Invaded.

Judge Lacy issued a marriage license on Saturday to Howard Lewis Livingston and Jennie Leah Greever, and on Monday he issued one to Lew V. York and Mae B. Greever, all of Kiowa.

Both brides are daughters of Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Greever and are among Kiowa's most popular young ladies.

Public Sale at Mrs. Lytle's farm five miles northwest of Medicine Lodge on Friday, November 28th. A chance to get good stock and farm machinery cheap.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Ladies' hosiery at Howe & Burton's. J. B. Gano was in Missouri last week on business.

R.S. Bisby & Co. sold their restaurant and confectioneries to McCoy & Wilkins last week.

Combine style and comfort by getting your fall and winter millinery goods at Howe & Burton's.

Co. Supt. Lake enjoyed a visit from his father, Rev. G. S. Lake, last week. Rev. Lake resides at Derby.

Remember Dr. Hughes is equal to Col. Ham and will give great satisfaction. Come and hear him Dec. 2nd.

When you have "that tired feeling" go to Brewer's Billiard Hall and play a nice sociable game of Billiards or Pool.

Big Stock of Noyse & Norman shoes at H. T. Woodward's. Best on the market. New in style and superior in quality.

If you want water proof boots or shoes that will wear well get a pair of the celebrated Sharkskin brand at H. T. Woodward's.

Call at Hall Hdw. Co.'s and see the new Osborne half-inch coil-tooth hay rake, the only one on the market and fully guaranteed.

Gene Youmans received the sad news of the death of his grandmother at Washington, New Jersey, Monday. She was 83 years old.

Caney Farmer, of Turkey Creek township, bought W. H. Haun's livery stable last week. He will take charge of the business December 1st.

Billie Ellison sold his farm last week to Mr. Wise of Sumner county. We hope this does not signify that Mr. Ellison has any notion of leaving Barber county.

Geo. S. Landis and George Zimmerman were up from Moore township Saturday. They came to attend the Hoy cattle sale, but found when they got here it was declared off.

Lew Bragg, our new register of deeds, believes in getting in early. He rented the property now occupied by W. H. Haun, last week and will move in as soon as Mr. Haun vacates it.

Anything goes on subscription at this office except broken promises. If you think you can use the Index and you have anything to give in exchange, come in and negotiate.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Balmer came in from Wyoming Monday to spend the winter with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Monney, and other relatives and friends. They may conclude to remain here permanently. At least we hope so.

Mrs. H. T. Woodward's friends are glad to learn that she continues to improve under treatment at Wichita. Mr. Woodward received a letter from his son, George, yesterday morning stating that she is getting along splendidly and is wholly out of danger.

J. V. Fishburn has accepted a position as traveling salesman for the Marshall Medicine Company and the Brown Tobacco Company of Kansas City, Mo. He has a territory of eight counties—4 in Kansas and four in Oklahoma. Mr. Fishburn will begin work the first of the month.

E. H. Nixon got a paste board and spent a few days in Topeka last week and we suppose returned with the blessed assurance of the Long machine that they will exert every influence under the sun and this side of hades to get him into the legislature in spite of the fact that Henry Walker was elected. The trip seemed to do Nick a bushel and a peck of good.

Major A. M. Harvey, of Topeka, was here last Friday and Saturday on business connected with the case of E. H. Nixon vs. the people of Barber county. Mr. Harvey is one of the state's most eminent lawyers and has had wide experience but this, he says, is one of the boldest attempts to steal an election and override the people that has ever come to his notice. He says it can not be justified in law, sense or reason.

HAS IT COME TO THIS!

That a Man Must Go Away From Home and Give out a False Interview to Bolster up a Bad Cause.

The following appeared in the Topeka State Journal of last Wednesday evening:

E. H. Nixon, late republican candidate for the legislature in Barber county, who is contesting the election of H. C. Walker, has been in Topeka consulting with the Long managers. Mr. Nixon says that he would like to have a recount of the ballots, as he believes a number of invalid democratic ballots were counted, and if these were thrown out in accordance with the provisions of the law he would have a good majority and the republican candidate for clerk of the district court would also be elected.

In discussing the matter Mr. Nixon said:

"In canvassing the vote, the county commissioners found in Elwood township that the tallies as made by the clerks gave me 18 votes. This would elect me representative by three majority. The election board consisted of three Populist judges. The Populists claim that I received only ten votes in the township, and say the clerks made a mistake in carrying out the tallies of straight tickets. Two of the county commissioners are Populists, and they refused to count the tallies.

"I offered to lay aside all technicalities and count the ballots over again, but the Populists decline to accept the proposition. There is no doubt in my mind that I was fairly elected by more than three majority, which is shown for me on the face of the returns, and therefore I am anxious to have a recount. The Populists know I was fairly elected and do not want a recount. I believe the ballots will show a larger majority for me, and also elect the Republican candidate for clerk of the court.

"The district judge has ordered the county board to canvass the vote as shown by the tallies. The board adjourned without doing so in order that the Populists might appeal to the supreme court.

"I am sure the supreme court will sustain the district judge and thus decide in my favor. I would prefer a recount as it would increase my majority and also elect a republican clerk of the court."

Since Mr. Nixon has not disputed the authenticity of the above interview, we take it that he is responsible for it and said what is quoted.

His statements are false. There was one republican judge and one republican clerk on the Elwood election board. He did not offer to lay aside all technicalities and count the ballots over again. On the contrary his attorneys refused to do so and would not even permit evidence to be introduced to show just how the irregularities were brought about, in the mandamus proceedings before Judge Gillett. If he believes that a recount will give him a majority why does he not ask for a recount instead of restoring to an underhanded trick to count more votes than were cast?

Mr. Nixon knows, and everyone else knows that he did not receive more than ten votes in Elwood township, and this interview is discreditable to him. Besides trying to usurp an office to which he was not elected, he insulted his home people by trying to create a false impression abroad.

It's the truth we want and the truth we will have before this thing is disposed of.

Notice—Knights of Pythias.

A full attendance is desired at the K. P. Hall Monday night. Election of officers and other important business. If you are a member in good standing this means YOU.

Dr. Matt Hughes lectured last night on "The American Pessimist." This was a splendid lecture, interesting with just enough wit and funny stories to keep the audience in good humor.—Winfield Courier.

A. A. Marchel was at Emporia last week and bought a car load of apples and one of vegetables. He has already disposed of most of them. He says the apple crop up that way is good but most of the supply is already bought up. The apples which Mr. Marchel bought were exceptionally fine.

IN THE SUPREME COURT.

The Nixon Hold-up now Before the Highest Tribunal in the State.

The appeal in the Nixon mandamus case was filed in the supreme court at Topeka yesterday together with an application for an early hearing. It is expected that the case will be heard and decided within two weeks.

When the Democratic commissioners came to town Saturday they had their minds very nearly made up to ignore Judge Gillett's mandamus and go on and certify in accordance with the facts regardless of the Elwood fraud but all the lawyers representing Walker and the people advised them to obey the order under protest and they finally yielded. This will give us a good standing in the supreme court as well as in the eyes of the public and the charge of lawlessness can not be laid at the door of Populists and Democrats.

Major A. M. Harvey, of Topeka who is working in the case was here to consult and advise the commissioners in connection with the attorneys here and we feel that Messrs. Crouse and Lake took the proper steps although it was a bitter dose to all of us.

However, the whole matter rests with the supreme court and nothing the commissioners could have done could have altered the situation. We confidently believe that Mr. Walker will be seated, but if he is not, the people of this county will know who is responsible and there will be a day of judgement. It is agreed on all sides that he received the highest number of votes. No party or clique of men can retain the confidence and respect of the people when they become parties to stealing an election.

The complete returns together with the protest are published in another column.

Badly Hurt.

Eyertt Shell, the 8-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Shell, was kicked by the fairly horse Sunday night and is in a very dangerous condition. The horse kicked him on the back of the head and he is in a semi-conscious condition. Mr. Shell is in Stevens county not very close to a railroad. He was immediately wired the sad news.

G. W. Stevens and Mrs. Shell took the boy to Wichita on Monday for treatment.

Thanksgiving Services.

The various churches of the city will unite in a union Thanksgiving service to be held at the Methodist church tomorrow at 10 o'clock a. m. Rev. L. M. Belden will preach the sermon. There will also be music by a choir selected for that purpose.

The merchants of the city will close their places of business during the services.

Revival Meetings Close.

One of the most successful revival meetings ever held in Medicine Lodge closed last night. Ten days ago Dr. L. D. Lamkin, of Waco, Texas, came to assist Rev. J. J. Griffin, Pastor of the Baptist church in a series of meetings.

From the very first the meetings took on a deep spirit and people were convicted of sin and came seeking Salvation. As the meetings continued this interest deepened and young and old came inquiring the way of life. For ten days we continued the meetings both day and night, some days having as high as six services a day, the business men closing at 7 p. m. to attend the evening services.

The Friday before the meetings closed on Sunday was set apart for an all day's services of fasting and prayer the public school dismissing, and the power of God was manifest and a great many souls found Christ as their Saviour.

The meeting closed Sunday night in the highest of spiritual interest resulting in something like a hundred professions in the Lord Jesus as a personal Saviour. Dr. Lamkin is a man of rare abilities, highly educated, a splendid speaker, with a single purpose and that the salvation of souls. He is a man thoroughly consecrated and filled with the Holy Spirit and a sweeter spiritual man I never met. He captured the love of our people and of all who heard him. His sermons were of the highest character thoroughly sound and equally attractive. J. J. GRIFFIN.

The Ideal Trio Concert Company

Comes to Medicine Lodge, Wednesday, November 26th. This company is composed of three splendid artists. Mr. David P. Hotten is a humorous reader and by his fine elocution will greatly delight his audience. His selection, "Woah Mule," will make your sides ache because of laughter. He has a number of readings and can give encores. Mr. Louis Allen is well known in southern Kansas as a vocalist, having traveled with the Arion Quartette, and as a dramatic reader he has gained

a state reputation. He has represented his college twice in the state oratorical contest, receiving first place in thought and composition. Besides he has won a gold medal in an elocutionary contest in his college. Mr. Wesley Farner is one of the few very promising young pianists of the west. He renders some of the most difficult selections with ease and brilliancy. His playing is remarkable for one of his age. The following is a part of the program:

-- Programme --

Grand March from Tanhauser..... Wagner
..... Mr. Farner.
"The Uncle" Adapted to music for
Sir Henry Irving..... Benedict
..... Mr. Allen.
The Party..... Dunbar
..... Mr. Hotten.

Creole Love Song..... Buck
..... Mr. Allen.
Poem for Piano..... Foote
..... Mr. Farner.
Woah Mule..... Lewis
..... Mr. Hotten.
The Two Grenadiers..... Schumann
..... Mr. Allen.
Pantomime, arranged by Company.

This concert company has nothing to do with the Lecture Course attractions. The Epworth League of this town by the aid of their pastor is pushing this attraction. Half of the net receipts go to

home missions. This will be a splendid opportunity for every citizen to enjoy a musical treat and help the home missions. Prices are 15, 25 and 30 cents.